

## GIVES SUPPORT TO NAWILIWILI

A Honolulu paper of last Thursday contained the following concerning Nawiliwili and other wharf matters discussed at a meeting of the Harbor Commission held the day before:

A resolution urging congress to take immediate action to extend and protect the harbor of Nawiliwili will be presented to the board of harbor commissioners and adopted at its next regular meeting, in accordance with a motion put and carried by the board yesterday.

The action came up in connection with the report of Charles R. Forbes, chairman of the commission, on his recent visit of inspection to Kauai. Forbes inspected the various wharves on the island, and said, regarding the Nawiliwili wharf:

"I would recommend that the board go on record as recommending the congress the imperative need of better protection at Nawiliwili."

"With the proposed road to Nawiliwili there is every reason to believe that this will become an important port of commerce."

The debate that resulted brought up the report of several years ago of the federal engineers in regard to a breakwater at Nawiliwili. Commissioner McCarthy was of the opinion that the board should recommend to the legislature that that body once more urge upon congress the claims of the port. It was finally agreed, however, that no harm could result from the board itself petitioning congress to begin the harbor work at Nawiliwili.

Chairman Forbes in his report said, regarding the Waimea wharf, that on the occasion of his visit there, November 8, he was informed that the work would be completed within a week. The track had been laid and the piles cut off.

Regarding the Nawiliwili wharf, he said he had instructed the contractor to proceed with the work. He also recommended the installation of a new five-ton stiff-legged derrick.

The Hanalei wharf, the chairman reported, is in need of some immediate repairs. The new shed is well built and is being well patronized.

Forbes called the board's attention to the inability of the Kapaa merchants to have freight delivered from the Kealia wharf. This, he said, was on account of a question that had arisen between the railroad and the interstate commerce commission relative to the status of the railroad as a common carrier. The interstate commerce commission held that the railroad was a common carrier and the railroad took the opposite view, and, in support of its contention, discontinued the delivery of the freight from the Kealia wharf to the Kapaa stores.

The chairman recommended that some steps be taken to offer relief to the Kapaa merchants, and suggested the condemnation of the present wharf at Kealia with a view of having it under the control of the board, "whereby the public would be benefitted."

The board granted a request of the Lord-Young Engineering Company for a thirty-day extension of time, without penalty, in which to complete the work on the Nawiliwili wharf. Discussion developed the fact that the contractor was not to blame for non-completion of the work within the time limit.

### Passengers In And Out

The following arrived by the S. S. Maui from Honolulu: T. L. Lamoreaux, B. von Damm, J. N. Kealoha, Hee Fat, W. F. Frost, K. Candells, F. A. Beckert, J. F. Dunkin, C. F. Hind, C. F. Thurston, E. M. Cheatham, Capt. Campbell, A. Horner, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Miller, D. Hulihee, K. Hulihee, I. Tashiro, G. Morraio, Miss Ora, Mrs. I. Ora, Miss Jerves, Miss Bur-

## CONSERVATION OF WATER IN WAIMEA

Superintendent Larrison, of the water department, who was over here in September for the purpose of investigating water possibilities in Waimea valley, submitted his report and recommendations to the Commissioners of Agriculture and Forestry at their last meeting. The part of the report referring to the Waimea valley proposition was as follows:

"During the period September 5 to 15, an investigation was made to determine the possibility of storing Waimea flood water at elevations exceeding 3000 feet above sea level."

"Agriculture without irrigation in the Waimea district is negligible, and many thousands of acres of rich lands now lie idle for lack of water."

"The Waimea River discharges at times heavy floods of more than six billion gallons per day. These floods cause much damage in the lower valleys and have been the chief cause of a river wall being constructed to protect the village of Waimea. The mean flow of the river at the point of diversion of the Kokaha ditch is less than 50 million gallons per day."

"Should means be devised by which these flood waters could be stored and utilized, the two-fold result of greater agricultural output and reduced flood destruction would be obtained."

"The investigation resulted in the location of three possible flood-storage sites on which, it is believed, could be constructed, at reasonable cost, reservoirs having a total capacity of five or six billion gallons of water."

"The stream flow records of the Mohihi, Waiahoali, Kawaikoi, Kawaikina and Kokee streams, which with the Koaie and Waialae streams, supply the Waimea River with practically all of its flow, indicate that the flood flow of these first five streams is sufficient to justify the construction of these three reservoirs."

"Much more stream flow data, topographic surveys, and test borings for dam sites are needed to determine the feasibility of this project, and it is recommended that sufficient funds to cover these investigations be included in the appropriation asked for this Division from the next Legislature in order that all preliminary work may be completed by the time the present land lease terminates in December, 1920."

### Notice of Sale of Government Property

Notice is hereby given that a certain lot of old lumber and material salvaged from Waimea wharf will be sold at Public Auction by the Board of Harbor Commissioners, through the Commissioner of Public Lands or his authorized agent, at Waimea, Kauai. Said sale will be held at Waimea wharf at 3:00 o'clock p.m. on the 16th day of November, 1916.

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The following sailed in the Maui Friday night for Honolulu:

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